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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, APRIL 22.—Last 24 hours' rainfall, .01. Temperature, Max. 78; Min. 70. Weather, fair; valley showers.

SUGAR—96 Degree Test Centrifugals, 3.42c.; Per Ton, \$68.40.
88 Analysis Beets, 8s 6d; Per Ton, \$76.40.

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HONOLULU, HAWAII TERRITORY, MONDAY, APRIL 23, 1906.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

THE STORY OF SAN FRANCISCO'S WOE TOLD

It Shows That More Than Five Thousand People Have Been Killed, Some of Them Burned to Death, That Two Hundred Thousand Are Homeless and That the Property Loss Is Five Hundred Millions.



SOME OF THE LOST SKYSCRAPERS.

The Advertiser has secured and prints herewith the first connected account of the San Francisco disaster which has come over the cable since communication was restored between Honolulu and the mainland. It shows that the loss of life in the earthquake on last Wednesday morning was five thousand, with some loss in the fires that followed, destroying a large portion of the city, that two hundred thousand people are homeless, and that the property loss is five hundred millions of dollars.

Likewise, it shows that prompt measures of relief have been taken, that the bank vaults have not been destroyed, that the insurance companies will pay the fire losses, and that the shipping in the harbor suffered little.

The force of the earthquake shock extended out into the state for a considerable distance, and lives were lost there, but the wave seems to have been somewhat erratic in its movement. Neither Southern nor Northern California suffered greatly.

FIRE FOLLOWS BIG TEMBLOR

The Most Appalling Calamity That Has Ever Befallen a City in the United States.

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[Special Cablegram to the Pacific Commercial Advertiser.]

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—The most terrific earthquake of modern times visited San Francisco at 5:13 o'clock on Wednesday morning, wrecking thousands of buildings and totally destroying the water mains in the first crash.

Fire immediately broke out in twenty places south of Market street and along Sansome, Battery and Front streets, and by ten o'clock in the morning the Call building, the Emporium, the Rialto, the Crocker building and the Palace Hotel were completely gutted.

Put Under Martial Law.

The residence district south of Market street, from Second to Fourteenth, was by this time one mass of flames.

At noon the city was put under martial law, and the people whose homes had been in the burned district were started for Golden Gate Park.

The fire in the wholesale district continued to burn until nine o'clock on Wednesday night, when it was checked at Kearney street.

Fire Starts a Second Time.

At midnight a blaze started at the corner of O'Farrell and Jones streets, and was carried sweeping toward Telegraph Hill, destroying the St. Francis Hotel in its way.

The firemen, the city police, the regular soldiers and the militia fought bravely against the conflagration until Thursday night, when the fire was finally got under complete control.

Final Stand of Fighters.

The final stand of the fire fighters was made at Van Ness avenue, where Mayor Schmitz ordered several entire blocks dynamited in order to check the advance of the destruction. These blocks destroyed stood along the east side of the avenue.

STRONG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NAMED BY GOV. ATKINSON

Executive Building,
Honolulu, April 22, 1906.

Having been requested by the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants' Association, of Honolulu, to open a subscription list for the relief of those who are suffering in San Francisco, as a result of the recent earthquake and fire, I hereby appoint the following Executive Committee with full powers to take immediate action:

1. H. P. WOOD, Executive Secretary;
2. S. M. DAMON,
3. E. I. SPALDING,
4. S. M. BALLOU,
5. A. S. CLEGHORN,
6. GEO. W. SMITH,
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23. J. A. HUGHES,
24. E. D. TENNEY,
25. FRED. MACFARLANE,
26. J. A. McCANDLESS,
27. ALONZO GARTLEY,
28. ANTOINE PERRY,
29. DR. F. R. DAY,
30. DR. J. E. JUDD.

The Committee is asked to take this as an official notification of its appointment, and to meet in my office at 11 o'clock a. m., sharp, Monday, April 23d.

A. L. C. ATKINSON,
Acting Governor of Hawaii.

Two Hundred Thousand Homeless

Fully two-thirds of the city have been destroyed by the earthquake and fire, and two hundred thousand people are rendered homeless.

Loss of Life Is Five Thousand.

The loss of life by the earthquake is hard to estimate, but it will probably reach five thousand.

Caught in a Ring of Fire.

There was no wholesale loss of life by fire until Thursday night, when several hundred people were caught between Russian and Telegraph Hills, and twenty-five were burned to death before they could

LITTLE HARM TO THE SHIPS

Not a Vessel Carrying Supplies Is Allowed to Leave the Bay of San Francisco.

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HALF A DOZEN WHARF SHEDS COLLAPSED, AND NO SHIPS CARRYING SUPPLIES ARE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE HARBOR AT PRESENT.

OTHERWISE THE SHIPPING OF THE PORT HAS NOT BEEN DISTURBED.

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be removed by the tugs which had been sent around to Meiggs old wharf at the foot of Powell street to rescue them.

Free Transportation Furnished.

Relief trains were started for San Francisco on Thursday from Los Angeles and other California cities.

The Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe railways are furnishing free transportation to all who wish to get away from San Francisco, and people are leaving by thousands.

The total property loss in the cataclysm will probably foot up five hundred millions of dollars.

Looters Shot Without Mercy.

There has been no rioting, and very little looting—and all offenders are shot down instantly by the troops who are guarding the city.

The City Hall has been completely demolished, and the Mayor has established headquarters for the city government at the Presidio.

Congress Gives Two Millions.

Congress appropriated one million dollars for a relief fund on Thursday, and an additional million on Saturday.

President Roosevelt has ordered the entire Pacific Squadron to San Francisco to assist in the relief work.

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